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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant petitions for a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action dated April 5, 2004. A response accompanies this petition.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0568 in the amount of \$110.00 for the extension fee. If any other fees are due in connection with the filing of the enclosed paper, please charge all required fees to the deposit account.

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